

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Fishers Island Ferry District
December 27, 2017

Commissioner Ahrens at the Fishers Island Ferry Terminal Office called to order a meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District (“the Ferry District”) on December 27, 2017 at 4:30 PM.

Commissioners William Bloethe and Heather Burnham were present. Also in attendance were Gordon Murphy and Deanna Ross. Geb Cook was present via telephone. Commissioners Peter Rugg and Dianna Shillo were absent.

Commissioner Ahrens established that a quorum was present. Everyone in attendance pledged allegiance to the flag.

Correspondence/Public Comment – No correspondence was received. There was no public comment.

Warrant

RESOLUTION 2017 - 237

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby approves the Warrant dated December 27, 2017 in the amount of \$97,269.85.

Moved by: Commissioner W. Bloethe
Seconded by: Commissioner A. Ahrens
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe and H. Burnham
Nays: None

2017 – 2023 ACIP

RESOLUTION 2017 - 238

Whereas the Ferry District is required by the Federal Aviation Administration (“FAA”) to review and annually approve a rolling five year Airport Capital Improvement Program (“ACIP”) for Elizabeth Field Airport; and

WHEREAS, the C&S Engineers (“C&S”) has recommended certain amendments to the 2018 – 2023 ACIP to include work at the electrical vault and has prepared the associated “data sheets” for the respective projects; and

WHEREAS, the BOC of the FIFD concurs with the C&S’s recommendation.

Now, therefore be it RESOLVED that the BOC of the FIFD approves the 2018 – 2023 ACIP for Elizabeth Field Airport subject to the approval of the Town Attorney and District Counsel and requests that the

Town of Southold as the sponsor of Elizabeth Field Airport approve the 2018 – 2023 ACIP for Elizabeth Field Airport.

It is further RESOLVED that the BOC approves the “data Sheets” of the associated projects in the 2018 – 2023 ACIP and recommends that the Town of Southold as the FAA Sponsor of Elizabeth Field Airport approve the projects, execute the associated documents and return them to the Ferry District to be forwarded on to the FAA and C&S.

Moved by: Commissioner A. Ahrens
Seconded by: Commissioner H. Burnham
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe and H. Burnham
Nays: None

Retiree Healthcare

RESOLUTION 2017 - 239

Whereas the Ferry District is required to pay a portion of its retirees’ healthcare benefits until certain criteria are established;

WHEREAS, the current healthcare plan for Nina Schmid was deleted by the vendor as an option in late November and upon review of alternative plans management recommends that the replacement plan; ConnectiCare, Choice Gold Standard POS plan for \$1,449.51 per month as the preferred plan; and

WHEREAS, the BOC of the FIFD concurs with management’s recommendation.

Now therefore be it RESOLVED that the BOC of the FIFD approves the 2018 ConnectiCare, Choice Gold Standard POS healthcare plan for Nina Schmid with a monthly premium of \$1,449.51 and authorizes management to pay the premium upon receipt of an invoice.

Moved by: Commissioner H. Burnham
Seconded by: Commissioner A. Ahrens
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe and H. Burnham
Nays: None

Junk Cars

RESOLUTION 2017 – 240

Whereas Fishers Island has junked vehicles that need to be removed from the island and whereas the Ferry District is offering a fare abatement of 100% which is good through March 15, 2018 to transport by truck the vehicles to its New London, CT terminal for disposal by others.

Therefore it is RESOLVED to set a temporary price of \$0 to move a minimum of two vehicles by truck transportation to New London, CT for disposal.

Moved by: Commissioner A. Ahrens
Seconded by: Commissioner W. Bloethe

Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe and H. Burnham
Nays: None

Other - Mr. Cook noted that he spoke with Keith Nielson from Docko regarding the permits for dredging and the permitting process is moving forward. The actual location of the dredging material disposal has not yet been determined but appears easier if it is placed on site. Approximately 1,000 yards of the material will be used for the park proposed by Ms. Lucinda Herrick.

Mr. Murphy, Mr. Cook and Mr. Burns have had discussions regarding ways to charge for long term parking at the Fishers Island terminal in efforts to create revenue and combat the problem of vehicles being parked at the Fishers Island terminal parking area for months at a time. Discussion ensued and management and the BOC will revisit the discussion in the future.

Commissioner Burnham raised a question regarding the Christmas Day boat cancellation and asked Mr. Cook how the FIFD could do better at notifying customers. Mr. Cook responded that there was one ticketing agent in the office who did notify those with reservations. Due to the holiday, those with administrative access to the website and Facebook were unavailable. Mr. John Morgan was able to make a late posting on Facebook. In moving forward, Mr. Cook and Mr. Murphy have been working on a way to send out email blasts in the event of cancellations or significant delays that may occur. Ideally this would involve a number of administrators who could send out email blasts. In addition, management is working to improve the website so updates can be done remotely as well as updating the phone message system.

Executive Session - The BOC has determined that no executive session is necessary at this BOC meeting.

HR

RESOLUTION 2017 – 241

WHEREAS Diane Hansen has exceeded the requirements of the Accounting Supervisor (Secretary) position;

THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED to increase Ms. Hansen's salary from \$62,500 to \$65,625 per year effective January 1, 2018.

Moved by: Commissioner A. Ahrens
Seconded by: Commissioner H. Burnham
Ayes: A. Ahrens, W. Bloethe and H. Burnham
Nays: None

Public Hearing - The BOC has agreed to set a public hearing for the Airport Hangar, Theatre, and Fuel pricing for the January 22, 2018 BOC meeting.

Next Scheduled Meeting – **Tuesday, January 9, 2017 at 4:30pm with a 3:30pm** working session at the Fishers Island Community Center.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, and on motion made by Commissioner H. Burnham, seconded by Commissioner W. Bloethe, the meeting was adjourned at 5:21 pm.